

IT'S A SHAME: Woman Minister in Guinea Shot Dead for Her Honesty and Integrity

Sometimes it is interesting for some of us to promote politics as a very rewarding career for many elites and career politicians to have. But with the sort of corruptions, mafia behavior, abuse of power and calculated stealing that takes place among men and women elected or leadership positions entrusted to them to represent the electorates in many countries all over the world, one is honestly tempted to offer wide generalized conclusion that ALMOST ALL POLITICIANS are SELFISH, CORRUPT, LIARS, GREEDY AND ARMED ROBBERS (with pen and diabolic deadly intents). Why do we say this? The report below made from news culled from many sources including the Australian News <http://www.news.com.au> throws more light on why we say what we say.

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GUNMEN have shot dead the head of Guinea's public treasury, who had recently uncovered a plot to embezzle state funds.

Aissatou Boiro, 58, was gunned down in Conakry late on Friday by "a man wearing a Guinean army uniform", a relative told AFP.

Boiro was responsible for foiling a plot to embezzle around 1.5 million euros (\$A1.83 million) from the Central Bank in May this year, top financial officials said. Boiro who had zero-tolerance for corruption and was intent on putting an end to the mismanagement of state funds, several high-ranking officials from the Treasury, the finance ministry and the Central Bank were implicated.

"She was returning from work, she had attended a meeting at the budget ministry. Her driver was behind the wheel," said a relative, who spoke on condition of anonymity.

"Another car pulled up and several men came out, including one who was wearing a Guinean army uniform," the relative said. "It was this man who opened fire as she was on the phone." Relatives said the attackers then fired shots in the air to disperse passers-by before speeding off into the night.

According to Bloomberg's Business news website, the government issued a statement which was broadcast on state television on Saturday evening, saying that Boiro had been killed by a group of men wearing military uniforms. Security forces have launched a manhunt to try to find and arrest the gunmen, the statement said.

The shooting occurred on Friday evening in the Kipe neighborhood of the capital, Conakry. Resident Siradiou Soiree said he was preparing a cup of tea, when he heard shooting outside.

"We saw a car driving in all directions before it eventually came to a halt. We saw a woman covered in blood, apparently dead, who was being loaded into a car to be taken to the hospital," said Soiree.

The forensic doctor who examined the body of treasury chief Aissatou Boiro after she was brought to the morgue Friday night said she had two bullet wounds to the chest and died of internal bleeding.

"She was hit by two bullets in the heart, and died from hemorrhaging. The bullets were shot from a close distance, which makes it clear that they were intended to kill her," said the doctor at the Ignace Deen Hospital in Conakry, who requested anonymity because he was not authorized to speak on the subject.

Boiro was named to head the country's treasury eight months ago by President Alpha Conde. Guinea has a long history of allowing officials to pillage its treasury. During the last years of ex-President Lansana Conte's rule, employees of the treasury said they would routinely see the president's convoy drive up to their building and leave with bags of cash.

"The National Treasury is a sensitive department. We don't name just anyone to lead it. She was an honest woman who was against all forms of corruption. But in Guinea all of the cases of large-scale embezzlement happen at the treasury department. She became inconvenient for certain economic predators who are in the government," said economist Idrissa Camara, a former official at the treasury.

The former French colony in western Africa is plagued by chronic political violence and endemic corruption.

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